

REMARKS

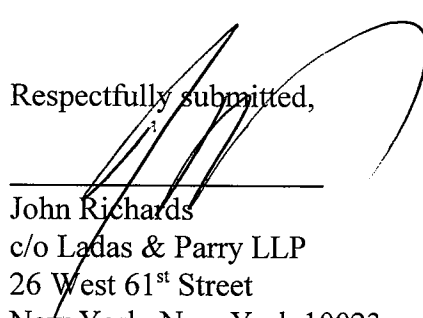
The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment ("the Notice") mailed on December 17, 2008 states that the amendment filed on October 2, 2008 is considered non-compliant because each claim was not provided with its proper status identifier. The Notice also states that while claim 11 is listed as currently amended, there are no markings to indicate added or deleted language.

In response, Applicant is re-submitting the amendments to the claims, corrected as required. In particular, the proper markings have been added to claim 11 to show the changes. Also, claim 4 has been corrected to recite --as claimed in claim 2-- instead of "as claimed in one of claims 2 or 3", so that claim 4 is consistent with its prior version.

Applicant understands that the Examiner will refer to the Remarks set forth in the Response filed on October 2, 2008, though those Remarks are not repeated here.

In view of the foregoing it is submitted that this application is now in order for allowance, and an early action to this end is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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